

at the associated one of said linear edges and in a direction away from the linear edges toward a bus electrode to which the display element electrode is connected;

a front substrate on which said plurality of display element electrodes are arranged along a row direction and a column direction;

a barrier structure, the inner surfaces of which being disposed along the outer ends of said plurality of display element electrodes thereby defining a plurality of cells each of which is coated with a phosphor member and is activated by a discharge of energy from one of said plurality of display element electrodes so as to emit light; and

a back substrate disposed opposing said front substrate with, said barrier structure therebetween.

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Claim 11. (Twice Amended)

A plasma display apparatus comprising:

a plurality of display element electrodes each including a pair of rectangular electrode segments with linear edges opposing each other, separated by a gap of predetermined distance;

a front substrate on which said plurality of display element electrodes are arranged along a row direction and a column direction;

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a barrier structure and a dielectric layer, the inner surfaces of which being disposed along one or more of the outer ends of said plurality of display element electrodes, thereby defining a plurality of cells each of which is coated with a phosphor member activated by a discharge of energy from one of said plurality of display element electrodes so as to emit light; and

a back substrate disposed opposing said front substrate with said barrier structure therebetween.

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Claim 15. (Amended)

A plasma display apparatus comprising:

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a plurality of display element electrodes each including a pair of electrode segments with linear edges opposing each other, separated by a gap of predetermined distance, each of said electrode segments having a portion where the width continuously narrows across the electrode segment in the direction away from the associated one of said linear edges toward a bus electrode to which the display element electrode is connected;

a front substrate on which said plurality of display element electrodes are arranged along a row direction and a column direction;

a barrier structure, the inner surfaces of which being disposed along the outer ends of said plurality of display element electrodes thereby defining a

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plurality of cells each of which is coated with a phosphor member and is  
activated by a discharge of energy from one of said plurality of display element  
electrodes so as to emit light; and

a back substrate disposed opposing said front substrate with, said  
barrier structure therebetween.

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